Cristina D. Lester

Web Developer

I'm an analyst programmer with 8+ years of experience in front-end/back-end web development, system management, maintenance and more!
I've been working in companies and as a freelancer using different platforms, tools and languages. I enjoy being challenged and working on projects that require me to work outside my comfort and knowledge set.

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Education

University of Pisa
Computer Science
Pisa, Italy
B.S. 165/180 CFU

Skills

Languages:
HTML, CSS, Twig, JavaScript (JQuery, React), PHP, Java, C, PHP, SQL, Bash
Frameworks:
Foundation, Bootstrap
Platforms:
Wordpress, DatoCMS, Shopify, Drupal
SysAdmin:
Apache, Nginx, AWS, Unix
Networking:
TCP/IP, UDP, FTP, SSH, SFTP, HTTP, DNS, SMTP protocols
Development Tools:
PHPStorm, Atom, Sublime Text, Eclipse, Git, MySQL Workbench, PHPMyAdmin, Postman
Image Editing:
Adobe Photoshop, Procreate
Spoken Languages:
English(fluent), Italian (native)
Hobbies:
Bass Player, Digital Illustrator, Gourmet Cook, Fitness Fan, Yoga Student

Work Experience

Senior Site Reliability Engineer
Studio III Marketing, Los Angeles, CA | July 2017 - current

- Developed and maintained 200+ static and dynamic websites per year (HTML, CSS, JS, PHP, Wordpress, DatoCMS)
- Satisfied clients' requests with 100% satisfaction and max turnaround time of 24 hours
- Contributed to development and maintenance of an in-house-built platform for website deployment (DatoCMS, Twig, GraphQL)
- Optimized page load speed bringing Google Page Speed score from 20 to 95+
- Refactored code of older static websites to updated languages, with usage of modern libraries and data structures
- Turned web designs from static images to interactive web pages applying best practices for page load speed
- Optimized pages for SEO purposes
- Implemented Google Ads on web pages and bond them with on-page live events
- Integrated CRM systems with Studio III Marketing sites for data monitoring and reporting
- Maintained, debugged, updated Wordpress core and plugins
- Developed custom templates and custom modules upon client requests
- Initialized, configured and maintained Amazon Lightsail DigitalOcean and MediaTemple instances in order to migrate websites
- Configured DNS records and optimized caching solutions with Cloudflare platform

Web Developer, Web/Graphic Designer, System Manager
LiberSoft srl, Navacchio, Italy | 2013 - 2016

- Built and maintained websites made with Dupal and Wordpress
- Trained over 10 staff members in internal web functions
- Directed development teams to prioritize needs and choose solutions
- Managed access rules for users to remote and local servers and Git repositories
- Joined Aruba team as external developer to fix bugs in UI and develop new interfaces for the latest releases of their main software Docfly
- Developed graphic designs for brochures, posters, flyers, websites

Web Developer, System Manager, Graphic Designer, Media Editor
L'Alba Associazione, Pisa, Italy | 2009 - 2010

- Designed, built, and maintained web sites using Joomla! CMS
- Determined sources of web page or server problems
- Evaluate code to ensure that it is valid, is properly structured, meets industry standards and is compatible with browsers, devices, or operating systems
- Developed graphics and layouts for product illustrations, company logos, and Internet websites
- Developed briefings, brochures, multimedia presentations, web pages, promotional products, technical illustrations, and computer artwork for use in products, technical manuals, literature, newsletters and slide shows